



Mansfield Middle School Association

June 5, 2013 Minutes

In Attendance: Thanh Nguyen, Diane Briody, Marie Hodrinsky, Jean Johnson, Lisa Drzewiecki, and Sandy Hill

1. **Call to Order:**

- D. Briody called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
- Everyone was asked to introduce themselves.

2. **Approval of the minutes:**

- Lisa Drzewiecki made a motion to approve the minutes of May 2013 and Marie Hodrinsky seconded the motion.

4. **Officer Reports:**

- **President, Diane Brody:**

- Boxtops: Diane spoke with Susan O'Keefe and will meet with Melissa Ottman to take care of boxtops; Thanh will check with Kelly on behalf of MMS and get back to Diane.
- 8th Grade Promotion Mon 06/24/13 at 7 pm:
 - Diane will meet with Donna Stratton Thursday, 06/06/13, to follow up on corsages for the ceremony or a donation/gift to school in name of the class; ideas for local florists were discussed.
 - We will need to recruit volunteers to help with food/drink donations, set up, décor, serving, and clean up. Thanh will send out a Q-Notify.
 - Sandy will evaluate MMSA supplies and Marie will inquire about coolers for beverages.

- **Vice-president, Marie Hodrinsky:**

- Staff Appreciation Day: Marie reported that the event went well with lots of food, students waiting on tables and teachers were very happy.
- MMSA Newcomer letter: Marie will finalize the new letter and upon approval will send to Sherri Sowik or Evelyn Flaherty in the back office for distribution.

- **Treasurer, Lisa Drzewiecki:**

- \$7690.17 available funds in account (see attachment for details)
- Lisa reported that \$250 went to 8th grade picnic; \$200 for 6th grade picnic in fall; \$350 went to EO Smith graduating senior, Jemilath Mama; \$345 for History Day – to be reimbursed by Kelly; \$50 allocated to Friendship Award; \$1000 budget for Enrichment towards a greenhouse application; \$70 on Staff Appreciation Day

- **Secretary, Sandy Hill:**

- Thank you notes to be written for George Soroka and Travelers Matching Gift Program for their gift of \$120 to MMSA; a thank you to Sarah Delia for serving as secretary during the school year; a thank you to Kelly and Laurie at MMS for their support – written by Marie

5. **Administrator's Report:** Thanh Nguyen

- **Schedule:**

- 6/5 @ 7 PM: last MMSA meeting
- 6/6 @ 3-5 PM: Hear Ye! Hear Ye! 7th grade Medieval Faire – all are welcome
- 6/10 – 6th grade science classes going outside for Bicentennial Pond study during block schedule; parents will be around
- 6/11 – After school performance (3-4 pm) of school play, *The Wishing Stone*
- 6/18 – 8th grade picnic at Holiday Hill
- 6/21 – Class Night – “City Nights” theme

- 6/24 – Closing Ceremonies – 7 pm
 - Ellis Island was a great success; lots of excited new citizens
 - Kudos to the Jazz Improv group who performed last Friday at Ashford Library
 - Great East Adjudication was a great success; Six Flags event
 - Congratulations to Scholar Leaders: Tim W. and Vida J., awarded by CT Association of Schools (CTASSOC)
6. **Faculty Report:** Thanh Nguyen
- Band Director, Mr. Hart, is leaving MMS next year. Lisa Corriveau from Goodwin School will take his position.
 - Search committees are actively working on filling positions for Kelly Brouse, Mary Mindek and Yalibi D'Addario who will be leaving MMS after this school year.
 - Field Day: MMS will not be having it this year due to the low 7th and 8th grade Student Council numbers and not enough time/people to organize it.
7. **Old Business:**
8. **New Business:**
- **Nominations for MMSA Board:**
Slate of Nominees
President: Marie Hodrinsky
Vice-President: Jean Johnson
Treasurer: Lisa Drzewiecki
Secretary: Sandy Hill
Motion to move the slate and approve candidates for position
President: Marie Hodrinsky (motion to approve by Diane; seconded by Lisa)
Vice-President: Jean Johnson (motion to approve by Marie; seconded by Sandy)
Treasurer: Lisa Drzewiecki (motion to approve by Diane; seconded by Marie)
Secretary: Sandy Hill (motion to approve by Marie; seconded by Lisa)
 - **Eighth Grade Closing Ceremony:** see President's report above
9. **Other Business:**
11. **Meeting Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at around 8:00 PM

Our next meeting is scheduled for September. A request for agenda items will be sent about one week prior to the meeting with the final agenda to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Hill

Secretary (pending approval at our next meeting)